

In the claims:

Claims 1-11 cancelled.

12. (Previously presented) A saw blade for power tools, comprising a blade back and a tothing, said tothing extending along a lower edge of the blade back; and including many saw teeth lined up in succession, wherein in successive portions of the tothing, each with an integral number of saw teeth, the saw teeth have the same tooth width, as measured at a top-cutting edge in a direction of a thickness of the saw blade, wherein said same tooth width is different from the saw teeth in the preceding or succeeding portion of the tothing, wherein parallel recesses spaced apart from one another are formed in the blade back on both sides of the blade back and extend past the saw teeth as far as an underside of the tothing remote from the blade back, and wherein the recesses on one side of the blade back and the recesses on another side of the blade back are disposed offset from one another longitudinally of the saw blade, and wherein the recesses extend as far as an upper edge of the blade back remote from the tothing.

Claim 13 cancelled.

14. (Previously presented) A saw blade for power tools, comprising a blade back and a tothing, said tothing extending along a lower edge of the blade back; and including many saw teeth lined up in succession, wherein in successive portions of the tothing, each with an integral number of saw teeth, the saw teeth have the same tooth width, as measured at a top-cutting edge in a direction of a thickness of the saw blade, wherein said same tooth width is different from the saw teeth in the preceding or succeeding portion of the tothing, wherein parallel recesses spaced apart from one another are formed in the blade back on both sides of the blade back and extend past the saw teeth as far as an underside of the tothing remote from the blade back, and wherein the recesses on one side of the blade back and the recesses on another side of the blade back are disposed offset from one another longitudinally of the saw blade, wherein the recesses are inclined relative to the tothing at an acute angle in the advancement direction of the saw blade, and wherein the acute angle is equivalent to a rake angle of the saw teeth.

Claim 15 cancelled.